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Governor Walker Signs Mining for America Act into Law

MADISON, Wis. – State Senator Tom Tiffany (R-Hazelhurst) released the following statement after Governor Scott Walker signed the Mining for America Act into law as 2017 Wisconsin Act 134:

"Our state has a rich mining history that predates our statehood, yet for the last twenty years the miner on our flag has been stuck in the unemployment line. Today, Governor Walker put him back to work. With the signing of the Mining for America Act into law, a multi-billion industry has been invited to come back to northern Wisconsin.

"For decades, we have seen young people and their families leave northern Wisconsin for opportunities elsewhere. I believe that the mining industry will turn this trend around. Young people with an interest in mining, from across the region, attended the bill signing in Rhinelander to take part in the first step of an economic revitalization of northern Wisconsin.

"Thank you to my co-author Representative Rob Hutton (R-Brookfield) for his leadership in the State Assembly, and Governor Walker for his signature on the bill."

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